

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for accessing a Baan server, comprising the steps of:

sending data from a Visual Basic program to [[a]] an application function server (AFS) of the Baan server;

receiving the data at the Baan server; ~~and~~

utilizing the AFS to communicate the data to at least one software object of the Baan server to generate at least one Baan session object;

utilizing the Visual Basic program to communicate with the at least one Baan session object via the AFS; and

storing information in the Baan server in response to the received data.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the Visual Basic program is an Active X DLL program.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:  
accessing the Visual Basic program, which is resident on a server, from a computer over a network link.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein said network link is an Internet.

5. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein said accessing step is accomplished through a web page developed using Active Server Pages (ASP) script.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein said Baan server provides data services for automotive service applications.

7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said network link is an Internet.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the Visual Basic program is an Active X DLL program.

9. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein said accessing step is accomplished using a remote network access program.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the remote access program is CITRIX.

11. (Currently Amended) A system for accessing a Baan server, comprising:  
a network server containing a Visual Basic program; and  
a Baan server, wherein the Visual Basic program is used to access the Baan server[.];  
means for sending data from a Visual Basic program to an application function server  
(AFS) of the Baan server;  
means for receiving the data at the Baan server;  
means for utilizing the AFS to communicate the data to at least one software object of the  
Baan server to generate at least one Baan session object;

means for utilizing the Visual Basic program to communicate with the at least one Baan session object via the AFS; and

means for storing information disposed in the Baan server in response to the received data.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said network server is an Internet server.

13. (Original) The system of claim 11, wherein said network server, further contains a web page developed using ASP script, and wherein said web page is used to provide information to said Visual Basic program for accessing said Baan server.

14. (Original) The system of claim 11, further comprising:  
a computer for accessing said network server.

15. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein said user accesses said network server using a remote network program.

16. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the remote network program is CITRIX.

17. (Currently Amended) A system for accessing a Baan server, comprising:  
a computer means for accessing a network server;  
a network server means for accessing a Baan server through a Visual Basic program; and  
a Baan software means for managing and processing data as directed by the computer means[.];

means for sending data from a Visual Basic program to an application function server (AFS) of the Baan server;  
means for receiving the data at the Baan server;  
means for utilizing the AFS to communicate the data to at least one software object of the Baan server to generate at least one Baan session object;  
means for utilizing the Visual Basic program to communicate with the at least one Baan session object via the AFS; and  
means for storing information disposed in the Baan server in response to the received data.

18. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein the computer means utilized an Internet to access the network server.

19. (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein the data is automotive data.

20. (Original) The system of claim, wherein the data is at least one of financial, manufacturing, and distribution data.

21. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
setting and/or retrieving values for fields in the at least one Baan session object via at least one function of the AFS.

22. (New) The method of claim 21, further comprising:  
adding, editing, and/or deleting records from the at least one Baan session object via the at least one function of the AFS.

23. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
providing an application program interface by a business object interface (BOI).

24. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the AFS serves as the application  
program interface.